## **REMARKS**

The Notice of Allowability mailed April 7, 2006, has been received and its contents carefully noted. This response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Official Action and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time. Filed concurrently herewith is a *Request for Continued Examination*.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on March 25, 2005.

A further Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith and consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested.

Claims 7-18 and 25-32 were pending in the present application prior to the above amendment. Claims 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17 and 25-28 have been amended to better recite the features of the present invention, and the claim amendments are supported in the present specification at least, for example, at page 5, lines 18-21. New claims 33-52 have been added to recite additional protection to which the Applicant is entitled. The Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 7-18 and 25-32 (Paper No. 0306). Accordingly, claims 7-18 and 25-52 are now pending in the present application, of which claims 7, 10, 13, 16, 33, 36, 39 and 42 are independent. All claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Examination on the merits is requested.

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